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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Bureau of the Public Debt

PROPOSED COLLECTION: COMMENT REQUEST

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A).

Currently the Bureau of the Public Debt within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning the Affidavit of Forgery for United States Savings Bonds.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before July 30, 2012 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESS: Direct all written comments to Bureau of the Public Debt, Bruce A. Sharp, 200 Third Street A4-A, Parkersburg, WV 26106-1328, or bruce.sharp@bpd.treas.gov. The opportunity to make comments online is also available at www.pracomment.gov FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies should be directed to Bruce A. Sharp, Bureau of the Public Debt, 200 Third Street A4-A, Parkersburg, WV 26106-1328, (304) 480-8150.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Affidavit of Forgery for United States Savings Bonds States Savings Bonds Series

OMB Number: 1535-0067

Form Number: PD F 0974

Abstract: The information is requested to establish whether the registered owner signed the request for payment or if the signature was a forgery.

Current Actions: None

Type of Review: Extension

Affected Public: Individuals or Households

Estimated Number of Respondents: 2,500

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 15 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 625

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS: Comments submitted in response to this notice will be

summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a

matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is

necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the

information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of

the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the

information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on

respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of

information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation,

maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

DATE: May 25, 2012

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Bureau Clearance Officer

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